

WEST TISBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

July 25, 2006

Present: Prudy Burt Chair, Judy Crawford, Patricia Durfee, Patrick Phear, Peter Rodegast, Debra Swanson, Tara Whiting and Maria McFarland

Also present for all or part of the meeting: Tim Sweet, Lee and Greta Mogel

Prudy Burt called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Due to an error in the minutes of the March 28, 2006 meeting the board reviewed and ratified their approval of these minutes for the record. The minutes of the April 25, 2006 minutes were approved. Judy and Debra abstained. The minutes for the July 11, 2006 meeting were approved as corrected. Tara abstained.

Hearings

Map 35 Lot 1 - Continuation of the public hearing under the Wetlands Protection Act and the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw to consider a **Notice of Intent** filed by Sourati Engineering Group on behalf of John Rosenmiller for a project at 70 Pond View Farm Road owned by Janice Manter. The applicant seeks permission to perform the following activities: cut and maintain the 100 ft buffer zone up to a 10 ft wide buffer strip to be established along a bordering vegetated wetland and Muddy Cove; cut and maintain the vegetation over 36" tall within the 10' wide buffer strip; cut and maintain a path through the 10' wide buffer strip to the dam; cut and maintain vegetation on the dam between Muddy Cove and the pond; cut and maintain vegetation between the east side of the pond and the property line; cut and maintain vegetation up to 5' around the existing high bush blueberry bushes within the bordering vegetated wetland; cut and maintain two four-foot wide paths through the 10' wide buffer strip to the edge of Muddy Cove south of the dam; construct and maintain two sections of livestock fencing and maintain a 6' wide path for livestock access to the pond.

At the request of the applicant's attorney, a motion was made to continue the hearing to August 8th at 5:10 PM. The motion to continue was seconded and the vote in favor unanimous.

Map 3 Lot 68 - a public hearing under the Wetlands Protection Act and the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw consider a **Notice of Intent** filed by Schofield, Barbini & Hoehn, Inc. on behalf of Timothy D. Sweet for a project at 20 Longview Road. The applicant seeks permission to construct an addition to the existing single-family dwelling including a dining area addition, deck, screened porch and stone retaining wall in the Riverfront Area adjacent to Blackwater Brook.

Tim Sweet was present to discuss his plans to add an addition to his new house. This is a lot that was in existence on August 7, 1996 prior to the enactment of the Rivers Act. At its closest point the retaining wall will be 55 feet +/- from the edge of Blackwater Brook.

The stone retaining wall will be the limit of finished work. The area of disturbance will be five (5) feet beyond the retaining wall. There will be no change in the final grade. Some of the existing landscaping will have to be removed. Tim was not sure if there will be new landscaping on the pond side of the retaining wall.

Special conditions on this project will include the placement of hay bales forty (40) feet from the edge of the brook. The hay bales will serve as a limit of work line. No equipment will be allowed on the waterside of the hay bales. Gutters will end in drywells. A landscaping plan will be submitted for review and approval prior to execution in the field.

The DEP has not issued a file number letter. The applicant agreed to a continuation of the public hearing to August 8th at 5:05 PM. A motion was made and seconded to continue the hearing to August 8th at 5:10 PM. The vote in favor unanimous.

Old Business

Map 30 Lots 10 Lee and Greta Mogel were present to discuss cutting done on the Right of Way that runs through their property at Deep Bottom Pond Road by an abutter who uses the road. The cutting done on the Right of Way was not significant, but the Mogels were upset that it was done without their permission, and in a haphazard and careless manner. They asked the Commission to send their neighbor a letter. Maria was instructed to write a letter that this works falls within the Commission's jurisdiction and requires approval beforehand.

James Pond: The James Pond riparian owners have been invited to the Commission's August 8th meeting for a presentation by Bill Wilcox.

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McFarland
Board Administrator
APPROVED